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JAMES BRITT DONOVAN . . . born Feb. 29, 1916 in the Bronx . . . father prominent surgeon . . . graduated Fordham University and Harvard Law . . . entered Navy 1943 as ensign and rose to rank of commander . . . was associate prosecutor at Nuremberg trials . . . since World War II has acted as chief counsel in major trials and appeals in more than 30 states . . . he and family subjected to villification when, by court appointment, he defended Soviet spy Col. Rudolph Abel on espionage charges . . . earlier this year he negotiated exchange of U-2 pilot Francis Gary Powers for Abel . . . recently has been negotiating with Castro for release of 1,113 invasion prisoners . . . married to former Mary E. McKenna . . . have four children . . . Home at 35 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.